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Secretary of State Shelley Appoints New FPPC Commissioner

The Fair Political Practices Commission has been informed by Secretary of State Kevin Shelley that he has appointed Eugene Huguenin as a new FPPC commissioner. Mr. Huguenin was appointed to replace FPPC Commissioner Thomas Knox, whose term expired Jan. 31, 2005.

Huguenin spent 27 years as an attorney for the California Teachers' Association. He is currently a sole practitioner in the Sacramento area representing clients in labor, employment and education matters. A Democrat, Mr. Huguenin's term will expire on Jan. 31, 2009. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2005. "We look forward to meeting Mr. Huguenin and working with him on the Commission," said Commission Chair Liane Randolph.

The five-member nonpartisan Commission was created by the Political Reform Act of 1974 to regulate campaign finance and conflicts of interest.

Under the Act, the Governor appoints two commissioners, including the chair. The Secretary of State, the Attorney General and the State Controller each appoint one commissioner. Commissioners serve a single, four-year term, and no more than three members can be registered with the same political party. The chairman is salaried and serves full-time, and the other four members serve part-time. The Commission meets monthly and heads a 60-person agency based in Sacramento.

In addition to Randolph, the other commissioners are Sheridan Downey, Philip Blair, and Pamela Karlan. Brief biographies of the commissioners are available on the Commission's website at www.fppc.ca.gov. A full biography of Mr. Huguenin will be posted on the Commission website after his swearing-in, which will be held on February 21, 2005.

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